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I.

IT is the LORD LIEUTENANT'S directions, that the Brigade Majors may exert themselves to obtain a complete knowledge of the Yeomanry Corps, of their respective districts, of their stations, their *effective* numbers, of the state of their horses, arms, clothing and accoutrements, and of the degree of their discipline.

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They will also learn what number of Supplementary Yeomen is attached to each Corps, and how many of them have received arms. They will enquire in what manner the arms of the Corps, and particularly of the Supplementaries, are disposed of, and arrange with the Officer commanding some plan for depositing them in a safe place, if such a measure be expedient.

III.

The Brigade Majors are to receive any orders relating to the Yeomanry from the senior General Officer of the county or district, and are to communicate them to the several Corps.

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## IV.

They are frequently and unexpectedly to inspect the Yeomanry on parade at exercise, and when a detachment of Yeomanry is upon permanent duty, they are to take every measure agreeably to the Standing Orders for enforcing the attendance of the Men at Head Quarters, and to keep the Detachment in constant activity and readiness for service.

## V.

General inspections will also be occasionally ordered by Government, and the Brigade Majors will be then required to transmit to the War-Office, for the information of the Lord Lieutenant, an accurate Return, founded upon the actual state of each Corps in every particular,



ticular, according to a form which will be transmitted to them.

VI.

The Brigade Majors are to certify all Returns for Permanent Pay, for the accuracy of which they are particularly responsible; they will also take every opportunity of examining the Exercise Returns, and of seeing that the Men charged for in them have been actually on parade, and fairly exercised for at least two hours.

VII.

His Excellency particularly enjoins it to the Yeomanry Brigade Majors, that any intentional incorrectness in the Pay Returns of the Yeomanry (a circumstance which His Excellency with  
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much surprize and concern has discovered to have taken place in some instances) may be most strictly investigated, and immediately reported to him, as His Excellency is determined to enforce the penalty which the law imposes upon an offence so disgraceful to the service and injurious to the public.

#### VIII.

The Brigade Majors are to inspect the Arms and Ammunition of the respective Corps, and to promote the observance of the Standing Orders with respect to these particulars. If any arms or accoutrements have been lost or rendered useless *upon actual service*, they are to certify the case to the War-Office, in order that the deficiencies may be replaced.

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A detachment of Yeomanry on permanent duty, and *not* in established Barracks, will be allowed thirty Shillings per month for guard-room, fire, candles, &c. upon the Brigade Major's certifying that the Expence was necessary and incurred under the above circumstances; which he will do by affixing his name to the sum charged upon that account in the Return.

## X.

Any extraordinary charges under the head of Barracks must be laid before the senior General Officer in the county, who will report upon them for the Lord Lieutenant's information. The Standing Orders of the Yeomanry, and regulations



regulations respecting Permanent Pay and Duty will explain to the Brigade Majors their other duties.

XI.

The Brigade Majors will constantly report their address to the senior General Officer in the county, and will be ready to execute his commands.

XII.

A Brigade Major is upon no account to be absent from the county to which he is attached, unless he obtains leave from the War-Office, the application for which leave of absence is to be made through the senior General Officer of the county or district. Any Brigade Major absent without leave will be immediately reported to the Lord Lieutenant.

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All correspondence is to be addressed,  
under cover, " To the Secretary at  
War, Dublin Castle."

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